

## THE 20TH MILESTONE.

China Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bundy Befittingly Celebrated.—Notes of the Occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Bundy celebrated the twentieth anniversary of their marriage at their elegant home, 405 O street northwest, Monday evening, June 6, 1904, from 3 to 12.

Over five hundred of Washington's best people were in attendance and congratulatory letters were received from prominent people from all part of the country—a deserved tribute to the successful lawyer, the efficient secretary and treasurer of the Howard University School of Law, and an active member of the Board of Education. This entire home was decorated with palms and cut flowers and the back lawn illuminated with Japanese lights. Promptly at 3 o'clock, Miss Lottie Brown began to play the Wedding march and Mr. and Mrs. Bundy and their attendants entered the spacious and tastefully decorated parlors.

Mrs. Bundy was beautifully gowned in a pearl gray French voile over taffeta silk. The bodice was trimmed



MR. J. F. BUNDY.

with white chiffon and peau de cygne and she wore jewels of diamonds. In the receiving line were Mrs. Daniel Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walker, Mrs. Thornton Taylor, Mrs. George W. Taylor, Mrs. Geo. W. Milford, Mrs. Austin Fickling Miss V. Morton, and Miss Anna E. Thompson. Others who assisted in the reception were Misses A. V. Williams, Hattie Freeman, Florence C. Chapman, Dollie Dodson, Lula Brown, Rita Thomas Mrs. James R. Bell and Mrs. Robert Richardson; Messrs. Robert J. Dickey, Talbert Dowling, Daniel Freeman, Austin Fickling, Benjamin Washington, Charles Neal and George F. Collins.

The guests were met at the door by Miss Mayme Early and presented to Misses Marie A. D. Madre and Bertha Howard, who introduced them to Mr. Charles F. M. Brown, who presented them to Mr. and Mrs. Bundy and the receiving party. Professor William H. Richards, of the Howard University Law School, was called upon for a toast and in his usual compact, vigorous style and easy manner, paid a beautiful tribute to Mr. Bundy's sterling character and capacity, his public spirit and public services, his splendid ideals and brilliant success and the virtues of the noble lady, who presided over Mr. Bundy's home, and is the in-

spiration of his life. And to this toast Mr. Bundy responded in a happy vein.

After the graceful and eloquent speech of Prof. W. H. Hart, a select musical program was rendered, consisting of instrumental solos by Misses Della A. Bundy, Lottie Brown, Fannie Bostic, Bessie Ware; Messrs George M. Jones and Edward Syphax. The vocalists were Prof. John T. Layton, Misses Lola Johnson, Marie Jones, Georgia Smith, Georgie Makall and Mrs. Maggie Wilson Smoot.

At the close of the musical program the guests passed through the receiving parlors to the dining room, where they were served with refreshments; thence to the second floor where were exhibited hundreds of costly presents, which they viewed and then bade the host and hostess adieu.

This interesting event which brought together so many successful men and cultured women, with tasteful and refined manner, furnishes new evidence of the progress of the race. Among those present were public school officials and teachers, prominent business men, lawyers, ministers and a host of life-long friends of Mr. and Mrs. Bundy.

## SMALL PERCENTAGE OF NEGRO CRIMINALS.

The juvenile court record shows that, of the seven thousand children arraigned in the juvenile court of New York in a given time, only thirteen were of Negro blood. The population of the city of Greater New York is approximately 4,000,000, of whom 66,000 are colored people. That is to say, 1.65 per cent of the population is colored while, of the children charged with crime in the period covered by the statistics, only .185 per cent were Negroes.

These figures do not support the statement sometimes made by prejudiced men that the Negro is a natural criminal. On the contrary, if accepted at their face value, they show that the Caucasians of New York, including, of course, the great mass of ignorant immigrants, are nearly ten times as likely as the Negro to have criminal tendencies.

No fair and accurate deduction can be drawn from the court record's report, which covers only a limited period of time. To form any exact estimate of the ratio of crime between the white race and the black, exhaustive study and comparison would be necessary. But it may be taken for granted that, if the juvenile court's figures had showed a very large percentage of Negro criminals, the fact would have been widely exploited. Common justice to the colored race demands that attention be called to its good records, when its bad ones never fail to excite comment.—Ohio State Journal.

Mrs. Frank T. Bruce, of Denver, Col., is visiting her niece, Mrs. Arthur A. Thomas, at 1161 Twentieth street northwest, where she will be pleased to see her friends.

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